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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2019 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2019

1. On 8 October 2019, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2019.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer a total amount of EUR 50.72 million in commitment appropriations from Articles 01 03 02 (*Macro-financial assistance*) (EUR 26.49 million), 05 06 01 (*International agricultural agreements*) (EUR 2.21 million), 07 02 4 (*Contribution to multilateral and international environment agreements*) (EUR 0.23 million), 19 04 01 (*improving the reliability of electoral processes, in particular by means of election observation missions*) (EUR 18 million) and 34 02 04 (*Contribution to multilateral and international climate agreements*) (EUR 0.05 million), as well as from Items 23 03 01 02 (*Disaster prevention and preparedness in third countries*) (EUR 1.73 million) and 23 03 02 02 (*Rapid and efficient emergency response interventions in the event of major disasters in third countries*) (EUR 2 million) to Item 22 04 01 03 (*Mediterranean countries - confidence building, security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts*), as recorded in document 12922/19.

2. The transfer is being proposed to use all available commitments after an assessment of needs until the end of the year for reinforcing the European Neighbourhood Instrument to make an additional contribution to the North Africa window of the EU Trust Fund for Africa, where there is a shortfall on actions in the field of border management in Morocco and for the protection and resilience of migrants, refugees and host communities in Libya.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 14 October 2019.
4. Following that examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to approve:
 - the proposed transfer of appropriations;
 - the draft letter in the ANNEX to that effect.

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council
to : President of the Commission
copy: President of the European Parliament

Sir,

In accordance with Article 31(6) of the Financial Regulation of 18 July 2018¹, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2019 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2019.

(Complimentary close).

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU), 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014 and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).